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Re: File No. NSD-L-01-159
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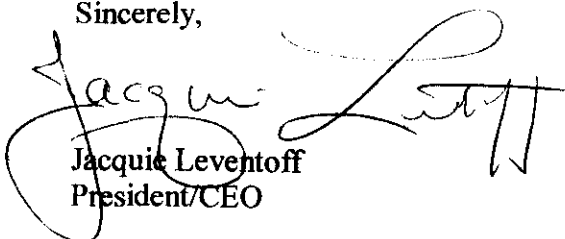
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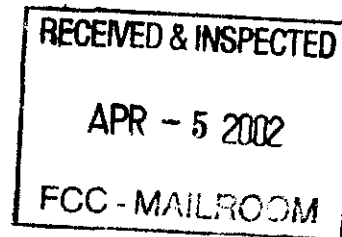
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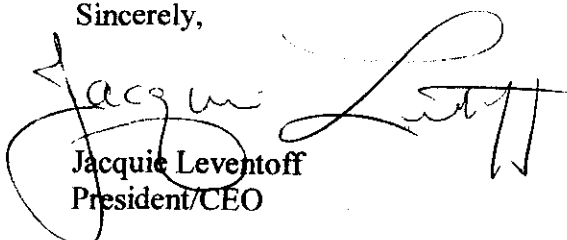
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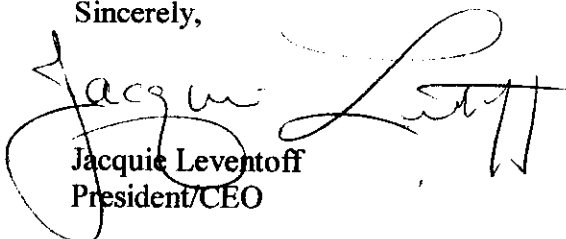
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